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SUBJECT: GDR PROTESTS FRG VIOLATION OF AIR SPACE

EAST GERMAN PRESS JULY 17 GAVE PROMINENT COVERAGE TO ADN REPORT OF GDR FOREIGN MINISTRY'S TELE-GRAPHIC PROTEST TO FRG FOREIGN OFFICE ON ALLEGED JULY 14 VIOLATION OF EAST GERMAN AIR SPACE BY FRG AIRCRAFT. MISSION'S TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF GDR PROTEST AS PUBLISHED FOLLOWS: BEGEN TEXT. ON JULY 14, 1973 AT ABOUT 1245 A ONE-ENGINE SPORTS PLANE FROM THE FRG, WITH TWO OCCUPANTS, ILLEGALLY OVERFLEW THE STATE BORDER OF THE GDR IN THE DIRECTION SALZWEDEL-STENDAL AND PENETRATED SOME 50 KM INTO GDR AIRSPACE. IT PASSED OVER SOME 110 KMS OF GDR AIR SPACE AT A HEIGHT OF 150 TO 200 METERS.

THE PILOT OF THE MAHINE REPEATEDLY FAILED TO OBEY ORDERS TO LAND GIVEN BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES. IT WAS ONLY DUE TO THE PRUDENT AND CAUTIOUS BEHAVIOR OF THE SAFETY ELEMENTS OF THE GDR'S AIR SPACE THAT THIS PROVOCATION ORIGINATING IN THE TERRITORY OF THE FRG DID NOT
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HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES.

THE MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE GDR PROTESTS
ENERGETICALLY AGAINST THIS GRIEVOUS VIOLATION OF GDR AIR
SPACE, WHICH IS A SERIOUS OFFENSE AGAINST ACCEPTED INTER-
NATIONAL LEGAL NORMS.

IN THE INTEREST OF NORMALIZING THE RELATIONS BETWEEN
THE GDR AND THE FRG, AS WAS AGREED IN THE THE GENERAL RELATIONS
TREATY BETWEEN THE GDR AND THE FRG, THE MINISTRY FOR
FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEMANDS THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRG
TAKE NECESSARY MEASURES TO PRECLUDE SUCH AIR SPACE
VIOLATIONS IN THE FUTURE. END TEXT.BORG

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